

# EXHIBIT 07

1 THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2 FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON  
3 MEDFORD DIVISION  
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5 ARNAUD PARIS, )  
6 Petitioner, ) Case No. 1:22-cv-01593-MC  
7 v. )  
8 HEIDI MARIE BROWN, ) December 7, 2022, 2:51 PM  
9 Respondent. )  
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13 COURT TRIAL  
14 EXCERPT OF PROCEEDINGS  
15 BEFORE THE HONORABLE MICHAEL J. MCSHANE  
16 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE  
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THE COURT: Can we start with wrongful removal?

Because I'm still not hearing you talk about --

MS. SKINNER: The -- our arguments --

THE COURT: -- the underlying agreement --

MS. SKINNER: The --

18 MS. SKINNER: Thank you, Your Honor. And I'll  
19 address both points. As to the intent of Ms. Brown at the time  
20 she entered into the July agreement, I think she testified,  
21 credibly, that she negotiated that agreement for hours and  
22 hours. There was discussions back and forth about health  
23 insurance and all of the conditions that were placed. She had  
24 already started to do the work to put those things --

THE COURT: Right.

1 MS. SKINNER: -- in motion. And if she had had a  
2 plan to not follow through with the July agreement, then why  
3 would she get her French visa renewed in September of 2022, or  
4 take the steps to get it renewed?

5 THE COURT: But what she told me is that she wanted  
6 to leave her options open, which tells me that she believed she  
7 had the unilateral ability to simply keep the children in the  
8 United States. And she certainly has -- is attempting to do  
9 that by the October 7th filing.

10 MS. SKINNER: And I'll address the October 7th filing  
11 in just a moment with the testimony about keeping options open.  
12 I think we need to look at that in light of the flip-flopping  
13 that Mr. Paris had done at that point. And I think her  
14 credible testimony was, in discussions with her lawyer, it was  
15 what do I do if he reneges on this again? What can I do?  
16 What -- could a plan be put into place if that happens? I need  
17 something with security.

18 And what we don't have in evidence is any evidence that  
19 show that she took -- and I'll get to the October 7th custody  
20 pleading in just a moment -- so that aside, she took no steps  
21 to renege on the July agreement. And, in fact, the opposite is  
22 true. She took all of the steps to keep that agreement upheld  
23 and in place.

24 There's no evidence to show that there was an appointment  
25 scheduled with an Oregon lawyer for July 29th, plus six months,

1 so that she could go in there and get the petition filed.  
2 There was no petition for custody that was drafted up and ready  
3 to go so that on six months and a day, that that could be done.  
4 Because she didn't take any steps to breach the agreement.

5 Now, why did she file Exhibit 49, the custody case in  
6 Oregon? Not because that was part of her preplan, because, in  
7 fact, the six months obviously hadn't expired at that point.  
8 She did that because Dad had filed in France, on October 3rd, a  
9 French custody case. And Ms. Brown was concerned that, again,  
10 it was another renegeing of a contract, and that Mr. Paris was  
11 going to use the October 3rd French custody filing to again  
12 yank the kids back.

13 And so the October 7th, 2022, filing had nothing to do  
14 with I'm trying to now get UCCJDA jurisdiction. It had  
15 everything to do with simply getting a status quo in place so  
16 that the terms of the July agreement would be able to continue  
17 in force. Because with the status quo, the kids are here for  
18 the time being, in line with that one-year agreement.

19 Now, Mr. Paris' counsel had much to say about Mr. Paris'  
20 illness. But I haven't heard any testimony or received -- I  
21 didn't receive one piece of evidence brought into this court  
22 about a single condition, symptom, or any impact that it had on  
23 Mr. Paris' daily living, except that he takes some B12 vitamins  
24 and goes and sees a doctor occasionally.

25 But, more importantly, the information about his disease

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13 of the proceedings in the above-entitled cause. A transcript  
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Official Court Reporter

Signature Date: July 31, 2023